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HAVING UNIFORM EASY AXIS OF )  
MAGNETIZATION, MAGNETIC RECORDING )  
MEDIUM HAVING SUCH LAYER, ITS PRODUCTION )  
METHOD, AND ITS PRODUCTION APPARATUS )  
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